

A GENERAL STATE
OF THE
WHITEHAVEN DISPENSARY,
For the Year 1792.

THAT CHARITY, exciting Sensations and Reflections highly pleasing and satisfactory, is the best Tribute of GRATITUDE,

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for the many invaluable Blessings we posses, must be universally acknowledged. Through the Medium of this INSTITUTION it will effectually alleviate the most cogent Calamities of Human Life, and sooth the much to be deplored Woes of those who suffer the combined and exquisite Infelicities of Penury and Disease:—pathetically sympathizing with, it can certainly relieve them.

Perhaps no Motive will more persuasively attract the Attention of the Opulent, than that arising from the anxious Recollection of those Periods of Pain and Solicitude which they themselves, their nearest Relatives, or dearest Friends, have

have repeatedly experienced: and which, as the common Lot of Man, especially occurring to Objests deprived of the Means qualified to render such a Situation in any Degree supportable, claims their affectionate Commiseration and liberal Beneficence. Whilst they thus afford Stability and Permanency to this Endowment, extending its benign and salutary Influence to numerous Species of Distress, and with the utmost Efficacy its Funds can admit, the effential Duties and sublime Delights of HUMANITY (Tests and Rewards of genuine, disinterested Benevolence) are amply fulfilled, and poignantly gratified.

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HE primary and important Engagements of this DISPENSARY may now properly suggest a few brief Observations, applicable to the necessitious Condition of its Objects, the DISORDERS they suffered, and the Means variously, yet we trust usefully, adapted to

their Relief and Recovery.

The contagious Diseases which required the Aids of this MEDICAL CHARITY, at the Termination of the last Year, were fingularly mild and favourable, admitting ar Apprehension of Danger in one solitary Instance. Of the few fince recommended, two unhappily proved fatal Ca-The first, previously debilitated, had made a late Application, and the other would not immediately obey the proper Directions. To interrupt their general Communication, as occurring in confined and populous Diftricts, formerly liable to the baneful Prevalency of fuch Fevers, every precautive and preventive Attention to Cleanliness, Ventilation, and well authenticated Antidotes, especially those of recently prepared White-wash, the Effluvia of Tar and Explosion of Gun-powder, became absolutely necessary; and fortunately, executed assiduously, were effectually successful.

Influenced by Motives in our Acceptation highly eligible, in several adjacent Situations peculiarly disposed to suffer the Ravages of similar epidemic Disorders, a di-

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igent Observance of the above Injunctions has proved equally salutary, conducing most beneficially to the Public Weal. We can, consequently, selicitate this Country, and especially the Promoters of this Establishment, on the perfect Eradication of a pestilential Calamiany which has long very distressfully and satally annoyed to

The moist and cold State of the Weather, in the early Part of the Summer, had been succeeded by a Degree of Heat equal, if not superior, to any ever remembered in his Climate. It was unexpectedly of short Duration, excessive and long continued Rains again prevailing: At his Period, no acute Malady of any Importance obtained. In the Autumn, and Beginning of the Winter, a very rivial febrile Influenza took Place. This Complaint, which generally diffused its Influence, was remarkably aggravated, if not excited, by accidental Exposure to Cold: chiefly distinguished by the governable and transient Symptoms of inflammatory Catarrh, it rarely permitted medical Assistance, readily yielding to the occaional Employment of domestic Pectorals, and the Indulgence of moderate Perspiration.

When, however, a consumptive Tendency could be probably suspected, agreeably to the judicious Sentiment of practical Writers, or even a latent Propensity to inter-tal inflammatory Affections prevailed, it certainly induced

very alarming Circumstances of Disease, and solicited the most immediate and potent professional Attentions, to prevent impending Danger, and avert Consequences too oft inevitably satal

The deplorable Events of a fimilar catarrhal Epidemic,

in 1781, confirm the Validity of this Affertion.

The only other interesting Disorder was an Affection of the Head and Breast, which obtained in the Spring. It occurred chiefly to young People, and though mostly accompanied with a considerable Degree of Fever, was rarely of more than six Days Duration. Diluents, Antimonials, Aperients, and a strict antiphlogistic Regimen, were

the sole curative Expedients.

With Regard to the chronic Infirmities and Maladies of the Indigent, though it is seldom in our Power to perfectly remove them, we have frequently the Satisfaction to mitigate their Violence, interrupt their Progress, or obviate their Tendency and Effects. These Observations peculiarly apply to the unhappy Condition of our numerous surgical Cases, in which not only sagacious Discernment is required, but also the regular Administration of internal and external Remedies. Perhaps in sew Respects can the Utility of this CHARITY be more assuredly evinced than in those Benefits which Objects of this Description thus derive from it: their Circumstances being in a great Measure totally inadequate to procure

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pensive Articles. With Gratitude they now acknowledge, that since the Establishment of this DISPEN-SARY, the frugal Necessaries of Life are obtained with less Dissiculty, and their Situation thereby happily rendered much more comfortable.

The Proportion of these Cases has this last Year admitted a considerable Increase, especially the incurable dropsical Ones. Every requisite Attention was assidutionally build be described and them by the Gentleman now in Connection with the Surgeon, to whom they were particularly remitted, and whose late powerful and tedious Indisposition we very sincerely deplore and regret.

Extraordinary Cases have occasionally received most judicious Regard. The Aids of *Midwifery* were remarkably successful, only two Instances of Fatality appearing upon a List of 832 Patients, commencing January the

9th, 1786.

We have repeatedly announced, with grateful Respect, the Obligations conferred by the ingenious REGISTER of the ROYAL HUMANE SOCIETY, in frequently communicating useful Sentiments and Publications relative to the distressful Subject of Interrupted Animation. These are still very regularly and liberally continued, though fortunately no accidental curcumstance of it has lately required them. To perceive the rapid and beneficial

ficial Progress and Essects of this meritorious Establishment, must prove a Source of most exalted Pleasure to the Man of Humanity. Its restorative Measures, originally confined to Cases of Suffocation from Drowning, have been since varied and extended to those of Strangulation, or wherever the Principle of Vitality appears to be, by any Means, manifestly suspended. At first proposed by the celebrated Doctors Cogan and Hawes, (1774) in the Metropolis of this Kingdom, we find its benignant Instuence dissused to the remotest Countries, exciting the studious Attention of Practitioners to an Inquiry of the Irighest National Importance: and from which it is hoped this additional Branch of Medical Science will deduce considerable Improvement.

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The Liberality of the original Benefaction, annual Subfcriptions, and voluntary Donations, particularly that of this DISPENSARY, have hitherto enabled the Directors to amply fulfil its various falutary Intentions, and at the fame Time had been expected to lay the Foundation for future and more effectual Modes of extending its Benefits: We are, however, forry to observe, that to perfectly accomplish these highly eligible Purposes, new Contributions should be solicited; the much regretted Death and Removal of many valuable Subscribers, with several deplorably unfortunate Contingencies, rendering this

Expedient in every Regard certainly necessary.

The Patrons and Protectors of this Institution are most sincerely wished a permanent Continuance of that Health and Comfort their laudable Generosity effectually affords its Objects. May "the Luxury of doing Good," as it has been emphatically styled, (unquestionably the highest) long be theirs; and the numerous Modes of Beneficence, so pre-eminently distinguishing this Age and Nation, which graciously provide an Asylum for the Necessities and Diseases of the Indigent, ever obtain supreme Estimation. They will, consequently, procure a Reward in present most refined Satisfaction and suture reversionary Felicity, infinitely superior to any human Power or Wealth can bestow.

Finally, may they, with Zeal and Liberality, variously and efficaciously exercise the sublime, celestial Virtue of CHRISTIAN BENEVOLENCE; and, "BLESSING

OTHERS, BE COMPLETELY BLEST."

An ACCOUNT of the PATIENTS admitted, from June the 11th, 1792, to June the 10th, 1793.

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"I give and bequeath to A. B. and C. D. the Sum of upon trust that they do pay the same to the TREASURER of the Whitehaven Dispensary: which Sum of I define may be applied towards carrying on the henevolent Designs of the said CHARITY."

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A SYSTEMATIC ARRANGEMENT OF THE PRECEDING DISEASES, With their respective EVENTS.

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